

JUL 25 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Marc R. Anderson; Larry N. Stewart; Howard M. Kingston
Assignee: Metara, Inc.
Title: Automated In-Process Ratio Mass Spectrometry For Trace Components Of A Process Solution (as amended)
Application No.: 10/086,025 Filing Date: February 28, 2002
Examiner: Arlen Soderquist Group Art Unit: 1743
Docket No.: M-15308 US Confirmation No.: 7853

Irvine, California
July 25, 2005

Via Facsimile to (571) 273-8300

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks in response to the
Office Action mailed March 14, 2005.

LAW OFFICES OF
MACPHERSON, KWOK CHEN
& REED LLP

2402 MITCHELSON DRIVE
SUITE 210
IRVINE, CA 92613
(949) 752-7040
FAX (949) 752-7049